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1. FOLLOWING ITEM INTENDED FOR USE IN VOA BREAKFAST SHOW.

2. FOLLOWING HIS UNANIMOUS ELECTION YESTERDAY BY THE AFGHAN
LOYA JIRGAH (NATIONAL CONSTITUENT ASSEMBLY), MOHAMMED DAOUD
WAS SWORN IN TODAY AS THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC
OF AFGHANISTAN UNDER THE NATION'S NEW CONSTITUTION. THE
LOYA JIRGAH RATIFIED THE CONSTITUTION TWO DAYS AGO AFTER
SOME TWO WEEKS' INTENSIVE REVIEW OF A DRAFT.

THE BODY RESPONSIBLE FOR THESE ACTIONS, THE LOYA JIRGAH,
IS THE LATEST MANIFESTATION OF A TRADITION WHICH EXTENDS TWO
AND ONE-HALF CENTURIES BACK INTO AFGHAN HISTORY. SUCH ASSEMBLIES
OF NOTABLES FROM THROUGHOUT THE NATION HAVE TRADITIONALLY BEEN
CALLED AT TIMES OF DECISION ONMATTERS OF GREAT NATIONAL IMPOR-
TANCE. IN MODERN AFGHAN HISTORY THE MOST RECENT PREDECESSORS
OF THE PRESENT ASSEMBLY WERE THE LOYA JIRGAHS WHICH MET IN
1964 AND 1955. THE 1964 LOYA JIRGAH CONSIDERED A NATIONAL
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CONSTITUTION UNDER THE MONARCHY OF THE TIME, WHILE THAT OF
1955 DEALT WITH THE COUNTRY'S RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN.

THE PRESENT LOYA JIRGAH, CONSISTING OF SOME 400 AFGHAN NATIONAL,
REGIONAL AND TRIBAL LEADERS, WAS SUMMONED TO RATIFY A CONSTITU-
TION, ELECT A PRESIDENT AND CONSIDER MATTERS OF NATIONAL POLICY
UNDER THE REPUBLICAN REGIME WHICH TOOK POWER IN 1973.

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